

MEN IN MIND IN HOPKINSVILLE

Prominent Factors in The
Busy Life of the Pearl
City.

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH 92

Youngest Warehouse Firm In
City Headed By Native
Sons of Hopkinsville.



DOUGLAS B. HANCOCK.

The sketch this issue deals with a native son of Hopkinsville. So often we have recorded that the subject "came to Hopkinsville" that it is welcome change to note that a successful young business man has stayed at home and made good. Douglas B. Hancock was born in Hopkinsville Nov. 23, 1880. He is the third son of Thomas R. and Rebecca Ragsdale Hancock. His father came to Hopkinsville soon after the war, a gallant soldier of the Confederacy, seeking a home, and became one of the pioneer tobacco men of the city. As a member of the warehouse firm of Hancock, Fraser & Ragsdale he was in business here when the subject of this sketch was born. He grew up in the city and early developed business qualities that made his services sought after in and out of town. In 1904 he went to Memphis, Tenn., as rate clerk in the office of the L. & N. Railroad and held that job down, with increasing efficiency, for four years. In 1908 he transferred to the Chickasaw Iron Works for two years and then became soliciting agent for one year for the Blue Ridge Dispatch, a fast freight line out of Memphis.

All of these responsible positions gave him a varied experience in business and when the desire to return to his native heath struck him, it found him a well equipped young business man with wide experience, robust young manhood, plenty of "horse" sense, and a big stock of ambition, in fact he had everything he needed for a successful business career except money. He determined to return and supply that "long felt want."

He got back in 1911 and his big brother, W. M. Hancock, gave him a running start at the American Snuff Company's plant.

It wasn't long until somebody else wanted him and he listened to financial overtures made by W. S. Matthews & Son, and went with that firm of tobacco dealers, with which he remained until 1913 when he went into business for himself.

In 1914 he assisted in the organization of the Hancock Warehouse Co. M. C. Boyd was made President, D. B. Hancock secretary and treasurer and J. R. Dortch vice-president.

Under the active direction of these young men, the new house leaped into instant favor. It has now been

three years in business. The first year it ranked third in a field of six loose floors. The second year it moved up to second place and for the season closing next week it has firmly maintained this relative standing, selling 2,750,000 pounds of the 15,000,000 pounds sold on seven loose floors.

The youngest of the firms, run by young men, this hustling company has made a place for itself in the first rank of the city's solid business interests. Mr. Boyd has various other business connections, but of course gives much of his time to the warehouse, while Mr. Hancock is always on the job and his clear-headed executive ability and straight-forward way of handling the office business has made a friend of every patron and placed the new venture upon a most profitable basis.

When things began to come his way so nicely, Mr. Hancock turned his thoughts to some other matters besides accumulating wealth. Last July he slipped off to an eastern city, presumably on a vacation, and returned home with a bride. The young couple are happily housekeeping on the corner of Water and Thirteenth streets. Mr. Hancock at one time was civilian clerk of the Kentucky State Guards, but just now he prefers civil life, unless his country should need his services. In that event the martial spirit of his sires would no doubt send him to the front for he comes of fighting stock.

Mr. Hancock is a member of the Elks Lodge and some other side lines, but he doesn't let them interfere with the fortune he is making.

Body Needs Minerals.

Vegetables are much like fruits in composition, being richest in carbohydrates and mineral matter. Some of them contain a large amount of protein. The carbohydrates are in different forms, as starch in potatoes and old corn and sugar in young corn and beets. Beans are richer in protein than other vegetables. Celery has a high percentage of water, and is valuable for its ash. Unfortunately the common method of preparing vegetables is a very wasteful one. The most valuable part of a potato is very close to the skin, yet this is usually peeled off, and, of course, thrown away. Likewise, spinach is similarly abused. It is often plunged into a quantity of water, which releases the valuable salts of the vegetable, and these finally find their way down the sink pipe. Spinach needs no added water in cooking. It will cook perfectly in its own juice, with very little loss of valuable substance. Some dietitians claim that any vegetable usually peeled should be washed and scrubbed only, if one would get the full value.

Bits About Holland.

The Dutch people occupy a country which contains 12,630 square miles—little more than one-tenth of the size of Great Britain and Ireland, the population being just over 6,000,000. Holland is not only flat, it is hollow. Hence its name—"Hollowland." Along the canals the meadows are ten feet or twelve feet, sometimes more, beneath the water line. By the sea, at high tide, there may be a difference in the level of the soil and of the ocean of quite twenty-feet or more. Gin is distilled at Schiedam, Delft, Rotterdam, and Amsterdam. The stilleries of gin ("Hollands") form an important branch of Dutch industry. The liquor factories are of national importance. Something like nine-tenths of all the margarine sent to England comes from Holland. Every Dutch citizen is liable to personal service in the army (or navy) from the age of nineteen to forty. Actual service in the ranks is determined by lot, but substitution is not permitted.

Honeymoon Brought Death.

Mrs. Eula Givens Dean, a bride of a month, who was taken ill with a complication of diseases, brought about by a nervous break down while on her honeymoon, following her marriage to Mr. Dean at Princeton, Ky., a little more than four weeks ago. She was taken to a Memphis hospital where she died. She was a Morganfield girl and her body was taken there for burial. Her husband is an attorney at Senatobia, Miss.

Objected to Common Term.

"Billingsgate" is an accepted term for vituperative language. A speaker in a political club wished to vary this expression in chiding an opponent, and criticized him for using "fishmarket language." Thereupon another member rose and protested against this phrase. "I have been a fish dealer for thirty years," he said, "and have never heard any bad language used in my business. The fish business is a respectable one, and should not be the subject of a slur."

Claims Oldest Orchestra.

Bath, in England, claims to have the oldest permanent orchestra in existence. It was founded by Beau Nash about 1706.

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Methodist Church.

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Woman's Bible Class, Mrs. Lizzie Clark, Teacher.

Primary Department, Miss Mary Walker, Supt.

Intermediate classes for all ages and grades.

Dr. Powell will preach at 10:45 a. m. on "Going to War and Preparedness."

At 8 p. m. Rev. T. L. Hulse, the Presiding Elder will preach.

Epworth League at 7 p. m. John C. Lawson, President.

These are not times for Christian people to hang around parks and stay at home on Sunday. These are the days that try men's souls, and our help is in God. "Come, let us go up to the house of the Lord."

First Christian Church.

J. Newton Jessup, Pastor.

Bible School 9:30 a. m.—George W. Crenshaw, Supt.

Christian Endeavor 7 p. m.—Subject: "What is the Purpose of our Life on Earth?"

Pray meeting Wednesday evening.

—Subject: "Christianizing Daily Life."

The pastor will preach in the morning on, "The Charmed Life," and in the evening on, "Positive and Moral Law."

Pays Horseman's Fine.

Here is a point in the conservation of energy: A cowboy was arrested for "loping" his pinto down the main thoroughfare of a middle western city. An automobile man chanced to see the arrest and followed the case to court. When asked why he urged his steed to such haste, the cowboy replied: "Because it's easier for the pinto to go fast than slow." And the automobile man paid his fine. "The reason I did it," he explained, "is this. I had heard that a certain motor car travel fifty miles an hour with less effort than other cars travel at thirty miles. I wondered why until I heard that cowboy's explanation. Now I know that the pinto could travel at a lope easier than he could walk, not because all pintos can do it, but because this one could do it."

Baseball.

STANDING OF KITTY LEAGUE.

	Played	Won	Lost	Pct.
Clarksville...	30	22	8	.735
Owensboro...	31	22	9	.710
Henderson...	30	17	13	.567
Dawson Spgs...	30	13	17	.433
Madisonville...	31	10	21	.323
Hopkinsville...	30	7	23	.233

WHERE THEY PLAY TODAY.

Madisonville at Clarksville

Owensboro at Hopkinsville

Henderson at Dawson

Hopkinsville 8, Owensboro 6.

Henderson 10, Dawson 5.

Clarksville 4, Madisonville 3.

Going, Going—

"Gone!" shouted the wildly-excited individual, waving his arms in the middle of the street. A crowd gathered quickly.

"Gone! Gone! Gone!" he shrieked again and yet again.

"What's the matter? Cashier eloped with your money?"

"Wife run away?"

"Lost a child?"

"No, no, no! But it's gone!"

Fifty-seven people held their breath, and then asked as one, "What's gone?"

The excited individual became suddenly calm.

"Yesterday has gone, my friends," he said, with a glad smile, "and today is going. You may die tomorrow or today. Now, without loss of time, you should take out a policy of life insurance with my firm, my—"

Then seven-and-fifty strong men seized him, and bore him to the nearest horse trough.

Quite Suitable.

A certain artist, who held art classes in his studio, was very strict on one point. No one must smoke! One day, after being out of the studio for half an hour, he re-entered it suddenly, and saw one student with a lighted cigarette in his fingers, which he tried to conceal. With an air of heavy playfulness, the artist approached the offender and said: "A strange pencil you have there, my friend. May I ask what you propose to draw with that?" "Clouds," was the prompt reply.

PURELY PERSONAL.

Misses Mary Virginia Stevens, Dorothy Eckles and Margaret Rives have returned from a visit to Miss Helen Coleman, at Paducah.

Lawrence Hager, of the Owensboro Inquirer, a son of Judge S. W. Hager, was in town yesterday, a guest of James Breathitt, Jr.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Seay, a daughter, Katherine Louise.

Mrs. John M. Cate, of Nashville, has been spending this week with her father, Dr. J. E. Oldham.

Mesdames Lewis Ellis and T. W. Perkins are visiting Mrs. Robert Maxey, in Chicago.

Misses Annie Cayce and Ethel Gunn left Wednesday for Signal Mountain to spend some time.

Charlie Lipstine, of New York City, is here on a visit.

Mrs. W. B. Dillman is visiting her daughter, Mrs. W. E. Foster, at Covington, Ky.

Miss Gwynneth Bartley is visiting friends in Bowling Green.

W. A. Wilson is in New York on business.

Miss Elizabeth Garrott has returned from the hospital at Hopkinsville, and is getting on nicely, her many friends will note with pleasure.... Rev. E. P. J. Garrott, of Heber Springs, Ark., is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Garrott, of the Oak Grove vicinity. Rev. Mr. Garrott preached at the Baptist church here Sunday night.

—Pembroke Journal.

Chas. J. McPherson, of Philadelphia, is visiting his parents.

Thos. J. Ellis, of Jonesboro, Ark., is in the city.

Just Wanted to Find Out.

Stranger—"I noticed your advertisement in the paper this morning for a man to retail imported canaries." Proprietor of Bird Store—"Yes; have you any experience in that line?" Stranger—"Oh, no; I merely had a curiosity to know how the canaries lost their tails."—Indianapolis Star.

A Mexican Souvenir.

From Mexico I carried home a cane made of exploded cartridges which had fallen from a machine gun. It was made by a Mexican, who told me of a little Frenchman with the Federal troops whom it took a cavalry charge of a hundred soldiers to dislodge after he had worked havoc in their ranks; at the end of the struggle, all they found were his exploded cartridges and his remains at the side of the disabled machine gun, with which he had held the attacking troops at bay.—"Publisher's Department," National Magazine for June.

And All Pests.
There are about 1,000 kinds of mosquitoes.

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